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For : DEVICE FOR DETERMINING THE  
CHARACTERISTICS OF A RUNNING  
MATERIAL

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**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

*Please replace the title and the two paragraphs on page 1 of the specification with the following (see Appendix 1 for changes):*

**--DEVICE FOR DETERMINING THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A RUNNING**

**MATERIAL WEB**

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

*B1*  
The present application is a National Stage Application of International Application No. PCT/EP00/02250, filed March 14, 2000. Further, the present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of German Patent Application No. 199 11 395.5 filed on March 14, 1999.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**